IN RE: PETITION FOR ZONING VARIANCE

\* DEPUTY ZONING COMMISSIONER

\* OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

\* Case No. 88-532-A

The Petitioner herein requests a variance to permit 53 parking

\* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

spaces in lieu of the required 88 spaces, a front setback of 32 feet in lieu of the required 50 feet, and a side setback of 24 feet in lieu of the required 30 feet, as more particularly described in Petitioner's Exhibit 1. The Petitioner, by Peter Freitag, Construction Manager for McDonalds Corporation; and, R. Rodman Mann, President, and Clarence L. Combs, Operation Manager, with G & M Foods Corporation, Lessee of the

subject property, appeared, testified and were represented by Robert W. Cannon, Esquire. Also appearing on behalf of the Petition was Tony Corteal of STV Lyons Associates. There were no Protestants.

Testimony indicated that the subject property, known as 3954 North Point Boulevard, zoned B.R.-C.S.1, is currently improved with a McDonalds fast-food restaurant. The Petitioner proposes improving the existing property by constructing in additional drive-thru window, a vestibule area, and a front dining room, all as depicted in Petitioner's Exhibit 1. Testimony indicated that the proposed improvements will provide greater comfort for and increase the level of service to its customers. Mr. Mann testified that one of the reasons for the proposed dining room addition is to provide a greater distinction between the smoking and nonsmoking sections and to provide additional space for upgrading the existing restroom facilities.

Testimony presented by the witnesses indicated that the operation at this site has a substantially high number of walk-in and drive-thru customers. Mr. Combs testified that as a result of studies performed by McDonalds, it appears that approximately 53% to 55% of their business is drive-thru. With the addition of the second drive-thru window, it is expected that their business will increase by 6% to 8%. Studies indicate that the walk-in business at this location is 5% to C%. Both Mr. Combs and Mr. Mann are at the site on a regular basis at various hours of the day. They testified that currently during peak hours of the day, generally not more than 30 of the 53 parking spaces provided are used. The additional dining room area will increase the seating capacity by about 35%. As a result of the additional seating, it is expected that the eat-in business will increase by 5% to 8%, which the current number of parking spaces could easily accommodate. Testimony indicated that the peak hours of operation are during the lunch period between the hours of 11:45 AM to 12:45 PM. Mr. Mann testified that to require strict compliance with the zoning regulations would result in practical difficulty and unreasonable hardship upon the Petitioner. The Petitioner contends that the requested variance will not be detrimental to the health, safety, and general welfare of the public.

The Petitioner seeks relief from Sections 409.6A2 (formerly 409.2(b)(3)) and 238.1, pursuant to Section 307 of the B.C.Z.R. The subject parking regulations were amended by Baltimore County Council Bill No. 26-88 effective May 26, 1988. While the requirements in this case were not modified, the controlling provision has changed.

zoning regulations would cause practical difficulty to the Petitioner and his property. McLean v. Soley, 270 Md. 208 (1973). To prove practical

burdensome:

Anderson v. Bd. of Appeals, Town of Chesapeake Beach, 22 Md. App. 28

public hearing on this Petition held, and for the reasons given above, the

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An area variance may be granted where strict application of the difficulty for an area variance, the Petitioner must meet the following:

> 1) whether strict compliance with requirement would unreasonably prevent the use of the property for a permitted purpose or render conformance unnecessarily

2) whether the grant would do substantial injustice to applicant as well as other property owners in the district or whether a lesser relaxation than that applied for would give substantial relief; and

3) whether relief can be granted in such fashion that the spirit of the ordinance will be observed and public safety and welfare secured.

It is clear from the testimony that if the variance is granted, such use as proposed would not be contrary to the spirit of the B.C.Z.R. and would not result in substantial detriment to the public health, safety, and general welfare.

Pursuant to the advertisement, posting of the property, and variance requested should be granted.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED by the Deputy Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County this 15th day of August, 1988 that the Petition for Zoning Variance to permit 53 parking spaces in lieu of the required 88 spaces, a front setback of 32 feet in lieu of the required 50 feet, and a side setback of 24 feet in lieu of the required 30 feet, as more particularly described in Petitioner's Exhibit 1, be and is hereby GRANTED, subject, however, to the following restrictions:

1) The Petitioner may apply for his building permit and be granted same upon receipt of this Order; however, Petitioner is hereby made aware that proceeding at this time is at his own risk until such time as the 30-day appellate process from this Order has expired. If, for whatever reason, this Order is reversed, the Petitioner would be required to return, and be responsible for returning, said property to its original condition.

2) The Petitioner shall comply with the Zoning Plans Advisory Committee comments of the Department of Traffic Engineering as set forth in their letter dated May 19, 1988, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof.

> MNConforma, a ANN M. NASTAROWICZ Deputy Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County

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Baltimore County Zoning Commissioner Office of Planning & Zoning Cowson, Maryland 21204 494-3353 J. Robert Haines Zoning Commissioner

August 25, 1988

Dennis F. Rasmussen

Robert W. Cannon, Esquire Weinberg and Green 100 S. Charles Street Baltimore, Maryland 21201

Case No. 88-532-A

RE: PETITION FOR ZONING VARIANCE NE/Corner North Point Boulevard and Old Battle Grove Road (3954 North Point Boulevard) 15th Election District - 7th Councilmanic District McDonalds Corporation - Petitioner

Dear Mr. Cannon:

Enclosed please find a copy of the decision rendered in the above-captioned matter. The Petition for Zoning Variance has been granted in accordance with the attached Order.

In the event the decision rendered is unfavorable to any party, any party may file an appeal to the County Board of Appeals within thirty (30) days of the date of this Order. For further information on filing an appeal, please contact Ms. Charlotte Radcliffe at 494-3391.

Very truly yours,

cc: People's Junsel

File

ANN M. NASTAROWICZ Deputy Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County

RE: PETITION FOR VARIANCE NE Corner North Point Blvd. & Old Battle Grove Rd. (3954 North: Point Blvd.), 15th District

: BEFORE THE ZONING COMMISSIONER OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

McDONALD'S CORPORATION, Petitioner

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Case No. 88-532-A

Please enter the appearance of the People's Counsel in the abovecaptioned matter. Notices should be sent of any hearing dates or other proceedings in this matter and of the passage of any preliminary or final Order.

ENTRY OF APPEARANCE

Phyllis Cole Friedman People's Counsel for Baltimore County

Peter Max Zimmerman Deputy People's Counsel Room 223, Court House Towson, Maryland 21204 494-2188

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 13th day of June, 1988, a copy of the foregoing Entry of Appearance was mailed to Robert W. Cannon, Esquire, Weinberg & Green, 100 S. Charles St., Baltimore, MD 21201, Attorney for Petitioner.

TO THE ZONING COMMISSIONER OF BALTIMORE COUNTY:

The undersigned, legal owner(s) of the property situate in Baltimore County and which is described in the description and plat attached hereto and made a part hereof, hereby petition for a Variance from Section 409.2.b(3) of the BCZR to permit 53 parking spaces in lieu of the required 88 spaces, and from Section 238.1 of the B6ZR to permit a

front setback of 32 ft. in lieu of the required 50 ft. and a side setback of 24 ft. in lieu of the required 30 ft. of the Zoning Regulations of Baltimore County, to the Zoning Law of Baltimore County; for the following reasons: (indicate hardship or practical difficulty) Petitioner is proposing to add an additional window to the existing Drive-Thru Booth, vestibules and a front

dining room addition to the existing McDonald's fast food restaurant, all as more particularly described on the plat accompanying this Petition. Grant of the variance is in harmony with the spirit and intent of the zoning regulations, and would not result in substantial injury to public health, safety and general welfare. Denial of Petitioner's request would cause practical difficulty and unreasonable hardship.

Property is to be posted and advertised as prescribed by Zoning Regulations. I, or we, agree to pay expenses of above Variance advertising, posting, etc., upon filing of this petition, and further agree to and are to be bound by the zoning regulations and restrictions of Baltimore County adopted pursuant to the Zoning Law For Baltimore County,

I/We do solemnly declare and affirm.

under the penalties of perjury, that I/we are the legal owner(s) of the property which is the subject of this Petition. CAMMANX PHICHESE Lessee: Legal Owner(s): R. Rodman Mann McDonaldys Corporation A (Type or/Print Name) R. Rodewan Marin, Practices Signature Vice President Signature G&M Food Corporation 21 Pocono Drive (Type or Print Name) ATE 1-7-89 Arnold, Maryland 21012 City and State Attorney for Petitioner: 3015 Williams Avenue (703) 698-4000 Phone No. Prior Case Fairfax, Virginia 22031 86-122-A City and State Weinberg and Green 100 South Charles Street Name, address and phone number of legal owner, contract purchaser or representative to be contacted Baltimore, Maryland 21201 Robert W. Cannon, Esquire City and State Attorney's Telephone No.: (301) 332-8816

ORDERED By The Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County, this required by the Zoming Law of Baltimore County, in two newspapers of general circulation through-

## LEGAL DESCRIPTION

Property Description for 3954 North Point Boulevard, Baltimore, Md.

Beginning for the same at a pipe set at the point formed by the intersection of the northeast side of Old Battle Grove Road. varying in width, and the northeast side of North Point Boulevard, 150 feet wide, all as shown on State Roads Commission of Maryland right of way Plat No. 4963 recorded among the land records of Baltimore County; said point of beginning being a point on the first line of the first parcel of land conveyed by Stanley Noplock, et. al., to Hudson Land and Building Corporation by deed dated August 18, 1984 and recorded among the land records of Baltimore County in Liber 4346, page 509 and running thence binding on the northeast side of said North Point Boulevard and part of the first line of the first parcel of land described in said deed, there situate, north 290-06'-20" west 92.39 feet to a pipe; thence binding impart on part of the second line of the first parcel of land described in said deed and in part on part of the second line of the second parcel of land described in said deed in all north 420-35'-22" east 190.00 feet to a pipe set; thence for a new line of division south 410-31'-10" east 243.73 feet to a pipe set in the Macadam Road known as Old Battle Grove Road thence binding on part of the first line of the second parcel of land described in said deed to the end thereof south 420-37'-28" west 38.43 feet to a pipe set in said Macadam Road; thence binding on the northwesternmost and north side of Battle Grove Road, 30 feet wide, and binding on the fourth and fifth lines respectively of the first parcel of land described in said deed the two following courses and distances namely (1) by line curving to the right with a radius of 108.5 feet the distance of 96.27 feet which arc is subtended by a cord bearing south 670-50'-40" west to a pipe and (2) north 860-34'-25" west 102.12 feet to a pipe set at a bend in said Battle Grove Road and thence binding on the northeast side of Battle Grove Road as shown on State Roads Commission of Maryland Right-of-Way Plat No. 4963 north 320-20'-16" west 36.25 feet to the place of beginning.

Containing .958 acres of land, more or less.

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CERTIFICATE OF POSTING ZONING DEPARTMENT OF BALTIMORE COUNTY

88-532-A

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Petitioner: McDonald Corpora Tion	7
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Mumber of Signs:	

"DUPLICATE" CERTIFICATE OF PUBLICATION

TOWSON, MD., QUAR 16, 1988 The Zoning Commissioner of Bal-tir.ore County, by authority of the Zoning Act and Regulations of Balti-more County will hold a public hearing on the property identified herein in Room 106 of the County Office Building, located at 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue in Towson, Maryland as follows: THIS IS TO CERTIFY, that the annexed advertisement published in THE JEFFERSONIAN, a weekly newspaper printed Petition for Zoning Variance
Case number: 88-532-A
NEC Northpoint Blvd. and
Old Battle Grove Road
(3954 Northpoint Blvd.)
15th Election District
7th Councilmanic District
Petitioner(s):
McDonald's Corporation
Hearing Date: Tuesday,
July 12, 1988 at 10:30 a.m.
Variance to permit 53 parki and published in Towson, Baltimore County, Md., appearing on June 16, 19 88

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**CERTIFICATE OF PUBLICATION** 

THE AVENUE NEWS

442 Eastern Blvd. JUNE 16, 1988 Balto., Md. 21221

HIS IS TO CERTIFY, that the annexed advertisement of

PO# 01117 REQ# M15009 TO ADVERTISE PETITION FOR ZONING VARIANCE CASE NUMBER 88-532-A NEC NORTHPOINT BLVD. & OLD BATTLE GROVE RD. (3954 NORTHPOINT BLVD.) 15th E.D. 7th COUNCILMANIC PETITIONERS MC DONALDS CORP. HEARING SCHEDULED TUES JULY 12, 1988 at 10:30am 84 lines at \$46.20

was inserted in The Avenue News a weekly newspaper published in Baltimore County, Maryland once a week for one successive week(s) before the 17th day of June 19.88;

that is to say, the same was inserted in the issues of  $\frac{6/16}{19}$   $\frac{88}{19}$ 

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The Avenue Inc.

Notice Of Hearing
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BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND No. <u>5</u>0473 OFFICE OF FIN E-REVENUE DIVISION MISCELLANEOUS CASH RECEIPT ACCOUNT R-01-615-000 MeDonald's 3954 North Point Blow.) Item # 373

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BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND OFFICE OF FINE E- REVENUE DIVISION MISCELLANEOUS CASH RECEIPT B B016+++++98708881832-A VALIDATION OR SIGNATURE OF CASHIER

Received by: <u>James E. Dyer</u> Chairman, Zoning Plans

Advisory Committee

Baltimore County
Zoning Commissioner
Office of Planning & Zoning
Towson, Maryland 21204

J. Robert Haines Zoning Commissioner

Date: June 30,1988

R. Rodman Mann G & M Food Corporation 21 Pocono Drive Arnold, Maryland 21012

Re: Petition for Zoning Variance

CASE NUMBER: 88-532-A NEC Northpoint Blvd. and Old Battle Grove Road (3954 Northpoint Blvd) 15th Election District - 7th Councilmanic Petitioner(s): McDonald's Corporation HEARING SCHEDULED: TUESDAY, JULY 12, 1988 at 10:30 a.m.

Please be advised that 98.70 is due for advertising and posting of the above-referenced property. All fees must be paid prior to the hearing. Do not remove the sign and post set(s) from the property from the time it is posted by this office until the day of the hearing itself.

THIS FEE MUST BE PAID AND THE ZONING SIGN(S) AND POST(S) RETURNED ON THE DAY OF THE HEARING OR THE ORDER SHALL NOT BE ISSUED.

Please make your check payable to Baltimore County, Maryland and bring it along with the sign(s) and post(s) to the Zoning Office, County Office Building, Room 111, Towson, Maryland 21204 fifteen (15) minutes before your hearing is scheduled to begin.

Please note that should you fail to return the sign and post set(s), there will be an additional \$25.00 added to the above fee for each set not

Very truly yours,

J. Robert Haines J. ROBERT HAÎNES Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County

cc: Robert W. Cannon, Esq. File\_

Baltimore County Zoning Commissioner Office of Planning & Zoning Towson, Maryland 21204 494-3353 J. Robert Haines

Zoning Commissioner

Variance to permit 53 parking

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required 30 ft.

In the event that this Petition is

granted, a building permit may be issued within the thirty (30) day appeal period. The Zoning Commis-

sioner will, however, entertain any request for a stay of the issuance of said permit during this period for good cause shown. Such request

must be in writing and received in this office by the date of the hearing

I. ROBERT HAINES

May 16, 1988

NOTICE OF HEARING

The Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County, by authority of the Zoning Act and Regulations of Baltimore County will hold a public hearing on the property identified herein in Room 106 of the County Office Building, located at 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue in Towson, Maryland as follows:

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. ROBERT HAINES Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County cc: R. Rodman Mann Robert W. Cannon, Esq. File/

BALTIMORE COUNTY ZONING PLANS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

June 28, 1988

COUNTY OFFICE BLDG. 111 W. Chesapeake Ave. Towson, Maryland 21204

MEMBERS

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State Roads Commission

Bureau of

Robert W. Cannon, Esquire Weinberg and Green 100 South Charles Street Baltimore, Maryland 21201

> RE: Item No. 373 - Case No. 88-532-A Petitioner: McDonald's Corporation Petition for Zoning Variance

Dear Mr. Cannon:

The Zoning Plans Advisory Committee has reviewed the plans submitted with the above referenced petition. The following comments are not intended to indicate the appropriateness of the zoning action requested, but to assure that all parties are made aware of plans or problems with regard to the development plans that may have a bearing on this case. Director of Planning may file a written report with the Zoning Commissioner with recommendations as to the suitability of the requested zoning.

Enclosed are all comments submitted from the members of the Committee at this time that offer or request information on your petition. If similar comments from the remaining members are received, I will forward them to you. Otherwise, any comment that is not informative will be placed in the hearing file. This petition was accepted for filing on the date of the enclosed . filing certificate and a hearing scheduled acccordingly.

Very truly yours,

JAMES E. DYER Zoning Plans Advisory Committee

JED:dt Enclosures

Baltimore County Department of Public Works Bureau of Traffic Engineering Courts Building, Suite 405 Towson, Maryland 21204 191-3554

May 19, 1988

Meeting of April 26, 1988

BALTIMORE COUNTY OFFICE OF PLANNING & ZONING

County Office Building 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204

Your petition has been received and accepted for filing this

\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_, 1983.

Petitioner McDonald's Corporation

Petitioner's Robert W. Cannon, Esquire



Mr. J. Robert Haines Zoning Commissioner County Office Building Towson, Maryland 21204

Item No. 373 - ZAC -Property Owner: Location:

McDonald's Corp. NEC Northpoint Blvd. and Old Battle Grove Road Existing Zoning: B.R. & C.S.-1

Dear Mr. Haines:

One Way/Do Not Enter signs should be installed and maintained to regulate the one-way flow patterns indicated on the site plan to reduce conflicts of flow and improve circulation.

> Stephen E. Weber, P.E. Assistant Traffic Engineer

Very truly yours,

SEW/RF/pm1-b



Maryland Department of Transportation State Highway Administration

Richard H. Trainor Hal Kassoff

April 28, 1988

Mr. J. Robert Haines Zoning Commissioner County Office Building Towson, Maryland 21204 ATT: James Dyer

RE: Baltimore County McDonalds Corporation Zoning Meeting 4/26/88 N/E/C of North Point Boulevard Maryland Route 151 and Old Battlegrove Road

Item No. 373

Dear Mr. Haines:

After reviewing the submittal of a variance to permit 53 parking spaces in lieu of the required 88 spaces, the State Highway Administration-Bureau of Engineering Access Permits finds the site plan generally acceptable.

If you have any questions, contact Larry Brocato of this office (333-1350).

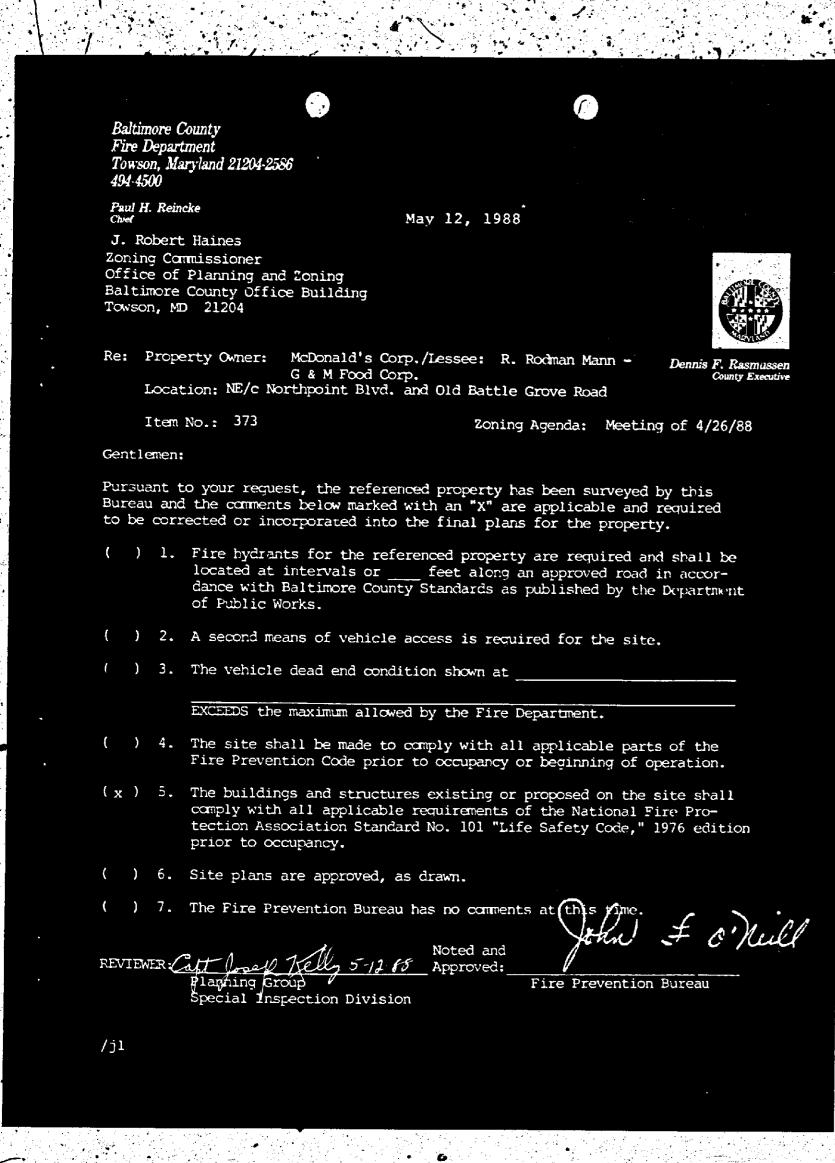
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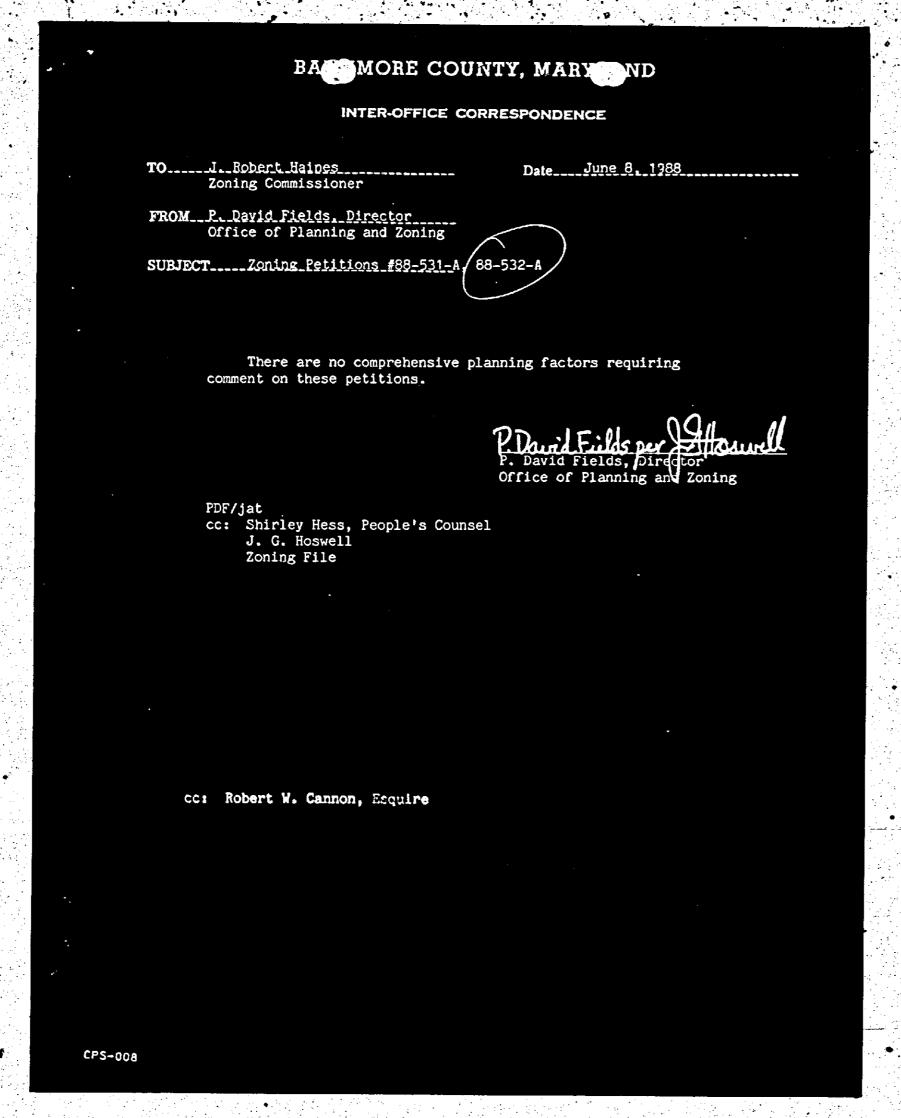
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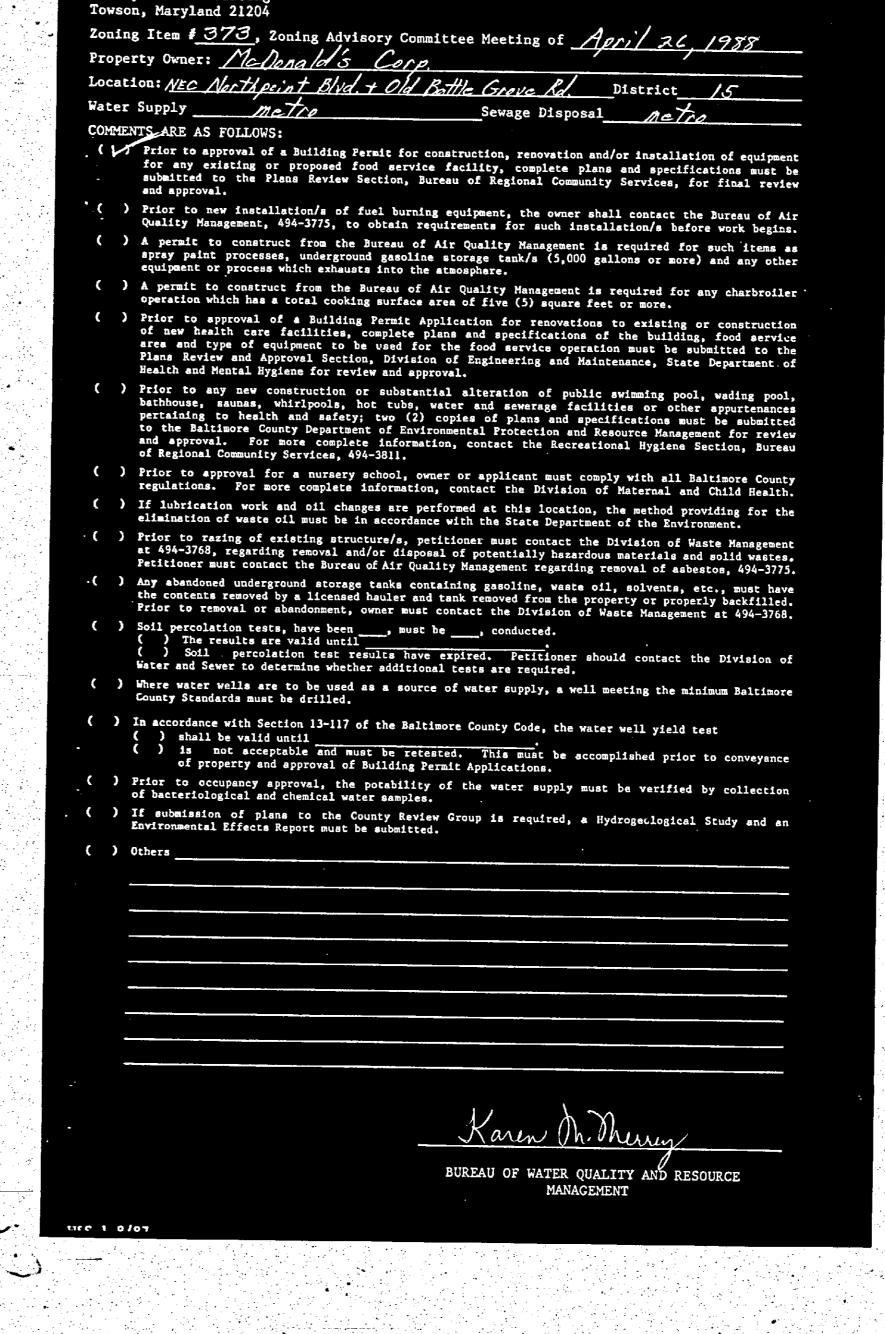
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My telephone number is (301) 333-1350 Teletypewriter for Impaired Hearing or Speech 383-7555 Baltimore Metro - 565-0451 D.C. Metro - 1-300-492-5062 Statewide Toli Free 707 North Calvert St., Baltimore, Maryland 21203-0717



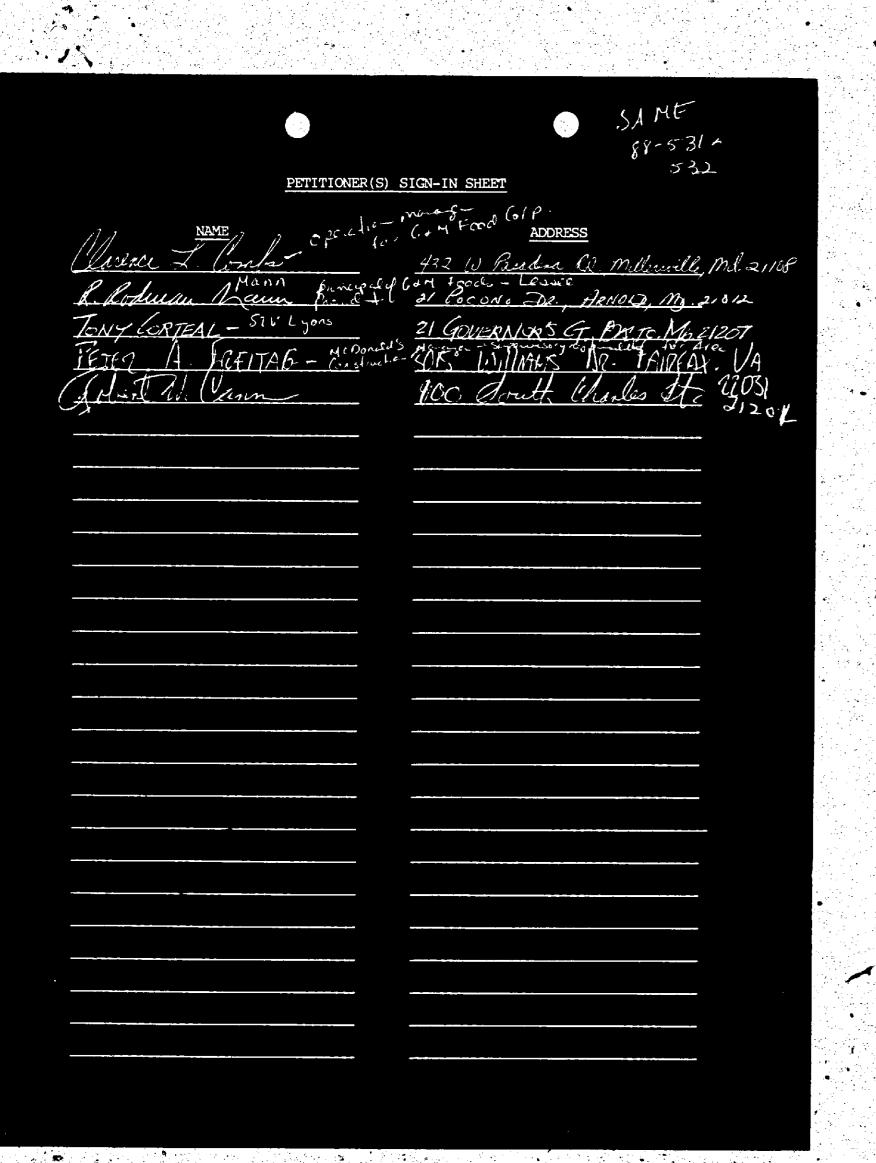




BALTIMORE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL

Zoning Commissioner
Office of Planning and Zoning
County Office Building

PROTECTION AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT



WEINBERG AND GREEN ATTORNEYS AT LAW 100 SOUTH CHARLES STREET BALTIMORE, MARYLAND 21201 April 12, 1988

TELECOPIERS

(301) 332-8862 (301) 332-8863

FILE NUMBER

14855.11

Re: Legal Description to Accompany Variance Request for 3954 Northpoint Boulevard (Item No. 373)

Dear John:

BALTIMORE: (301) 332-8600 WASHINGTON AREA: 470-7400

WRITER'S DIRECT DIAL NUMBER

(301) 332-8982

Room 113

Mr. John Sullivan
Baltimore County Office
of Zoning
lll W. Chesapeake Avenue

Towson, Maryland 21204

As we discussed when we met last week to file the variance petition for the above-referenced property, you requested that the property description be amended to add the total acreage for the property. Accordingly, I have enclosed three (3) copies of the legal description which has been revised to reflect the total acreage for the property.

Please feel free to call me if you have any questions or comments concerning the enclosed. Otherwise, I will assume that the petition will go forward and that a hearing date will be scheduled as soon as possible. Thank you for all of your efforts.

295/bam Enclosure

cc: Mr. Rod Mann Robert W. Cannon, Esquire

